June 13, 1960

Note to: Col Hood Cil

From : Lt. Col. S. W. Josephson

Subject: QUESTION AND ANSWER SHEET ON EPG TRANSFER PRESS RELEASE

Early last week when the matter of possible news media questions on the EPG release came up, General Starbird said he would prefer to hold explanatory responses down to something like, "This transfer is being made because the Pacific Missile Range has an immediate requirement to use EPG now, and the AEC does not have an immediate requirement for it."

However, DoD is preparing a Q & A sheet, and Mr. Salisbury told Cannon to prepare one. DOD's is to be sent to AEC and State for coordination; Cannon's is attached. Cannon gave it to me and requested that I supply answers, for use if these questions are asked.

I believe General Starbird prefers not to have these Q & A sheets prepared in advance, except for the single response shown above. Request your advice.

The attached memo to Chairman McCone describes the present status of the press release as of noon, June 13. _ Gen. L. due prosed to Hollingsmith some notes for you - To Explan has those sen 6/14 Attachments: Cannon's Q & A Sheet

Memo to Chairman fm Ohlke

General I recommend we tell crossed Solisting we do not want to approve any Q/A now. but will attempt to consumer questions, if any, as

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Do you have any plans for testing again at EPG? How long would it take to go back?

What is the status of the NTS? Are there any plans for testing there?

Will the AEC retain any office or employees at EPG?

What will happen to current AEC employees or its contractor employees at EPG? How many are affected?

Will any AEC equipment remain at EPG? If so how long will it continue to be usable?

How much saving will result for the AEC?

